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**"SUCCESS ON THE BATTLE FIELD BEGINS  
HERE"**

## **ORIENTATION BRIEF SCHOOL OF INFANTRY**



# SOI Mission

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“The School of Infantry trains Marines to serve in combat as riflemen, infantrymen, and infantry leaders to provide the Marine Corps the war fighters that will win our nations battles.”



# Training at SOI

- Live Fire evolutions
  - Combat Marksmanship
  - Night Optics shooting
  - Machine Guns!!
  - Grenades!!
- Multiple Field Exercises
  - Convoy Operations
  - Patrolling
  - Firm Base Operations
  - IED Awareness
- Tactical Guardian Angel
- Cultural Awareness training





# Expectations

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- Continue physical fitness.
- Have on your person \$100-\$125 cash for travel, haircuts, personal hygiene items.
- If you are married: bring a copy of marriage certificate, spouse's/children's birth certificate, and a copy of spouse's/children's social security card.
- Think safety and be responsible.



# “Do’s”

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- Pack Smartly:
  - Hand carry your ID card.
  - Bring ALL Marine Corps issued clothing and equipment.
  - Place 2 sets of seasonal MCCUU’s (Marine Corps Combat Utility Uniform, Deserts – April 1-October 31, Green – 1 Nov-March 31), 1 set of boots, hygiene gear, SRB, Medical Record and orders in your carry-on bag.





# Required Hand Carried Items

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Wear of Desert  
MCCUU: 1 April -  
31 October



Wear of Green  
MCCUU: 1  
November -31  
March – During  
winter months  
ensure the green  
sweater/green  
sweat shirt is  
placed in the bag



# Don't get a tattoo!





# Don't bring a vehicle to SOI !

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# Don't bring weapons to SOI!

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# Don't bring Alcohol to SOI!







# Core Values $\neq$ Drugs!

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- **Honor:** Legendary Marines didn't need drugs to be successful, and neither do you.
- Marines will be given a urinalysis upon arrival at SOI.
- Drug users will be caught and will be processed for discharge with an Other Than Honorable Discharge; what does this mean?
- **Courage:** You have endured to earn the title United States Marine. Do not abandon courage and throw away your accomplishments if "friends" pressure you to do drugs.
- **Commitment:** Trust your Marine ethos for it will guide you to future success. Stay true to your values.





# Helpful Hints.....

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- When traveling, keep Alphas in a garment bag.
- Report to Camp Geiger, which is aboard Marine Corps Air Station New River, in Service "A" Uniform.
- Once you arrive at SOI, you will change into the seasonal MCCUU uniform.
- Bring military glasses for training.
- Do not bring computers, TV's, or other items of high value.



# Helpful Hints.....

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- Do not start using tobacco products.
- Everyone lives in open squad bays.
- Bring 2 sets of appropriate civilian attire.
- MCT is 29 days and trains through weekends; ITB is 52 days. You may be granted liberty on Sat & Sun.



# Helpful Hints.....

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- The Bus Station is about 4 miles from Base; take a taxi.
- Average price for a taxi ride from Jacksonville airport is \$25-\$35.
- If you show up earlier PLEASE check in early in order to save MONEY.
- Watch out for hotel scams (i.e. free ride to hotel, price of room increased).



# Write This Down!!!

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# QUESTIONS???

